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VISIT OF VIETNAMESE DELEGATION
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a high level Vietnamese delegation visited India recently;

(b) if so, the details of the discussions held and the areas of cooperation agreed to in the field of industrial, economic, cultural and other spheres; and

(c) the extent to which the same will be beneficial to both the countries?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANT SINGH)

(a) Yes, Sir. A delegation led by Madame Nguyen Thi Binh, Vice President ofVietnam paid an official visit to India from 17-19 March, 2002.

(b) During the course of the visit, the visiting Vietnamese Vice President called on the President of India, and met with Vice President and Prime Minister. Minister of External Affairs and Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas called on the visiting Vice President. During the meetings, bilateral, regional and international issues including all areas of cooperation were discussed.

(c) The visit was another step in further strengthening the cooperation between the two countries.